CRITERIA FOR REVIEWING PROPOSED LEGISLATION 0537 FROM OTHER DEPARTMENTS OR AGENCIES

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Consider the following basic guidelines when reviewing proposed legislation:

What is the problem? Does it require a legislative remedy or is there an alternative to legislation?

Does a need exist for this type of legislation? Will the proposed legislation, if enacted, meet this need?

Does existing law provide a remedy for this problem?

Is CDF responsible for meeting this need? If not, does the lead agency know of the problem?

Is the proposal consistent with the department's and the Administration's objectives?

What areas of political sensitivity are associated with this proposal?

Is the responsibility for meeting this need placed at the proper level of government--city, county, state, federal?

If the proposal involves enforcement actions, is enforcement feasible?

Will the legislation be passed in time to resolve the problem?

Will the proposal conflict with CDF's or other departments' codes or responsibilities?

What is the projected fiscal impact? Was the cost involved reviewed during the budget discussion? What is the fiscal priority compared with other ongoing programs?

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